

## Message Text

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R 171510Z DEC 76  
FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2210

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: AMED, UR, US  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MEDICAL INFORMATION

REF: STATE 303308,

1. SCICOUNS, DECEMBER 17, CALLED ON FEDOSEYEV, MFA, AS FOLLOW-UP  
TO GARRISON DEMARCHE REGARDING REQUEST FOR BLOOD SAMPLES OF MOSCOW  
RESIDENTS. DRAWING ON INFORMATION PROVIDED NOVEMBER 9 WATSON/MATLOCK  
LETTER, SCICOUNS POINTED OUT:

- WE ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT SOVIETS HAVE NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING ON  
REQUEST  
FOR SAMPLES OF ALMOST THREE MONTHS STANDING.

- CONTINUING HIGH BLOOD COUNTS OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL ARE WARRYSOME AND  
CONTROL GROUP INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO DETERMINE CAUSE.

- EXCHANGES OF BLOOD SAMPLES BILATERALLY ARE NOT UNUSUAL; WE HAVE AN  
AGREEMENT TO TEST 5,000 SOVIET SAMPLES OF BLOOD FOR HAPATITIS UNDER  
THE HEALTH AGREEMENT ( SEE MOSCOW 17133),

- IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE SOVIET BLOOD SAMPLES SOON, WE WILL ATTEMPT TO  
ESTABLISH A CONTROL GROUP OUTSIDE THE EMBASSY WITH US EXCHANGEES IN  
THE  
MOSCOW AREA,

- WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO KEEP THE EXISTENCE OF THIS PROBLEM CON-  
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PERSONNEL OUTSIDE THE EMBASSY BECOMES INVOLVED.

2. FEDOSEYEV TOOK NOTE OF THE ABOVE AND PROMISED AN ANSWER  
QUICKLY, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING KEPT INFORMED OF  
ANY FURTHER DEMARCHES THE DEPARTMENT MAY TAKE ON THIS MATTER

WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY.

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